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Abstract of the Disclosure

A hydraulically powered self-propelled stripping machine having an electric motor for providing oscillating motion to a cutting head member. The electric motor driving a hydraulic pump for pumping hydraulic fluid to a hydraulic motor for driving the wheels of the hydraulically powered self propelled stripping machine. The hydraulic system having forward and reverse as well as speed control valves for controlling the direction and speed of the hydraulically powered wheels or for stopping. The hydraulically powered self-propelled stripping machine also having a hydraulic pressure safety valve for protecting the machine and the objects it engages from damage.